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Int'l Institute of Juche Idea Inaugurated in Tokyo

The Inaugural Congress of the International Institute of the Juche Idea held in Tokyo on Apr. 9.

Detailed Report

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The Inaugural Congress of the International Institute of the Juche Idea was held on Apr. 9 at the Tokyo-kaikan Hall in Hibiya, Tokyo, amid a great interest of the world progressive people and various strata of the public circles in Japan. At the congress the International Institute of the Juche Idea was formally inaugurated. The rule was adopted and the members of the board of directors were elected. A letter to President Kim Il Sung was unanimously adopted. **(See the boxes)**

The inauguration of the IIJI was suggested originally at the "International Scientific Symposium on the Juche Idea" held in Antananarive, September, 1976.

Attending the inaugural meeting were members of the organizing committee of the international institute and delegates from eight countries and one international organization.

They were Arne Herlov Peterson, Danish writer and journalist; Benzantry Christopha, vice-President of the Assembly of People in the Democratic Republic of Madagascar; Chawki Ajami, President of the Lebanese Committee for Study of Kimilsungism; Eduard Hafner, General Secretary of the Progressive Organization Party of Switzerland; Genaro Carnero Checa, General Secretary of the Latin American Federation of Journalists; Jose Francisco Aguilar Bulgarelli, President of the Latin American Institute for Study of the Juche Idea; Kazi Zafar Ahmed, General Secretary of the United People's Party of Bangladesh; Yaya Bagayogo Minister of Official Information of the Republic of Mali Mamadou Sako, General Secretary of the Committee of the Movement for Peace in Mali, Monica Vassilion, Member of the Central Committee of the Socialist Party of Cyprus and Directress of the Socialist Women's Movement.

Present also was Vice-Chairman Li Gye Baek of Chongryun (the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan).

Among more than 800 Japanese participants were Kuriki Yasunobu, director of the National Liaison Council of the Japanese Societies for Study of Selected Works of President Kim Il Sung; Hanawa Fujio, vice-Director of the Secretariat; Higashitani Toshio, representative of the Society of the Teachers for Study of the Juche Idea in Osaka; Ohiro Sunao, representative of the Circle of the Teachers for Study of the Juche Idea in Tokyo; Ogami Kenichi, representative of the Liaison Council of the Japanese Youth Society for the Study of the Juche Idea; and other representatives of the 130 study groups from various parts of Japan and many people of academia, the press and culture.

The congress began with the entire attendants chorusing the "Song of General Kim Il Sung."

An opening address was made by representative Higashitani Toshio of the Society of the Teachers for Study of the Juche Idea in Osaka.

Congratulatory Speeches

Guest speakers included Narita Tomomi, ex-Chairman of the Japan Socialist Party and Member of the House of Representatives; Makieda Motofumi, Chairman of Sohyo (the General Council of Trade Unions of Japan); Ichikawa Makoto, representative member of the Japan Committee in Support of Korea's Reunification; Iwai Akira, Director of the JCSKR and representative member of the Association for Japan-Korea Cultural Exchange; Mitsui Tametomo, Honorary Professor at Tokyo Metropolitan University.

Mitsui Tametomo said in his speech that the Juche idea originated in the anti-Japanese guerrilla struggle and had deepened and widened and that the inauguration of the IIJI is a historic event to open new future.

Saying that the present era is an era of independence and creativeness and that the people the world over are fighting independently for their own emancipation from class and national oppression, **Narita Tomomi** stated that the inauguration of the institute has met the demand of the time.

Makieda Motofumi stressed that progressive personages of the world are actively studying the Juche idea because the idea is not an ideological philosophy but an idea to open a new road in the revolution and construction based on the reality.

Ichikawa Makoto said the inauguration of the institute in Tokyo had a great significance. He strongly appealed for efforts for a successful Second Conference for the Reunification of Korea scheduled to be held in Tokyo in coming Autumn.

Iwai Akira said the international institute will greatly encourage the independent, peaceful reunification of Korea.

Keynote Report

Following these speeches, the keynote report "Let Us Study and Assimilate the Juche Idea" was delivered by **Kuriki Yasunobu,** director of the National Liaison Council of the Japanese Societies for Study of Selected Works of President Kim Il Sung, on behalf of Yasui Kaoru, Chairman of the organizing committee of the IIJI.

Kuriki Yasunobu said that today when it is the major trend of the times for many countries to follow the path of independence and when it is an irresistible trend for all the peoples to learn the Juche idea, it can be defined as a historical need to set up an international organization which studies and disseminates the Juche idea.

Saying that the founding of the IIJI will mark a new historic milestone in the study and dissemination of the immortal Juche idea on a world wide scale, the reporter referred to the significance of the inauguration of the institute:

1) The IIJI will give great encouragement to hundreds of millions of people who study the immortal Juche idea and fight for independence and self-support; 2) The founding of the IIJI will make it possible to defend and safeguard respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung, the distinguished revolutionary leader of our time, and the Juche idea, the great guiding idea of our time, give an impetus to the struggle of the world people advancing along the road of independence under the banner of Juche by widely explaining and propagating this immortal idea, and hasten the world-historic victory of the cause of Juche; 3) the IIJI will add much to strengthen the friendship and unity of the world progressive people.

Kuriki noted that the IIJI is an international academic institute for the study of the Juche idea.

He continued:

The IIJI will work to distribute respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung's classic works, organize symposiums and lectures on the Juche idea, publish regularly its organ "Study of Juche Idea," render theoretical assistance to and exchange experience in, the study of the Juche idea in various exhibitions for dissemination of the Juche idea.

Received were over 380 messages of greetings and congratulatory telegrams from social organizations and personages of all walks of life in Japan and other countries.

Prominent were those from: Prime Minister C.A. Kamara Taylor of the Republic of Sierra Leone; Kim Il Sung University; the Academy of Social Sciences of the DPRK; the Korean Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries; Minobe Ryokichi, Governor of Tokyo Metropolis; Kuroda Ryoichi, Governor of Osaka; Hata Yawara, Governor of Saitama Prefecture.

The organizing committee members and delegates made speeches. Vice-Chairman Li Gye Baek also spoke.

They unanimously welcomed the inauguration of the institute and stressed the inauguration will greatly facilitate the advance of the history.

Whenever they expressed their respect to President Kim Il Sung and confidence in the Juche idea, the attendants all rose from their seats and shouted "Long live President Kim Il Sung!" "Long live the Juche idea!"

The inaugural declaration "The Juche Idea—the Sacred Banner of the Era of Independence" was adopted.

The closing address was made by Hanawa Fujio, vice-Director of the Secretariat of the National Liaison Council of the Japanese Societies for Study of Selected Works of President Kim Il Sung.

After the congress shown was a documentary film of the international seminar on the Juche idea held in Pyongyang last September.

In the evening, a banquet was arranged at the same place.

Press Conference

A press conference was held at the lunch time at the same place. Genaro C. Checa, General Secretary of the Latin American Federation of Journalists, Chawki Ajami, President of the Lebanese Committee for Study of Kimilsungism, and Kuriki Yasunobu participated in the conference.

Photo shows the Japanese Jucheists enthusiastically congratulating the inauguration of the institute at the congress.

Rules of Institute

The rules of the International Institute of the Juche Idea was adopted with the unanimous approval of the attendants at the Inaugural Congress of the International Institute of the Juche Idea on April 9.

The rules reads in full:

CHAPTER 1. The organization is called the International Institute of the Juche Idea.

CHAPTER 2. The International Institute of the Juche Idea is an international academic and research group of the Juche idea.

CHAPTER 3. The International Institute of the Juche Idea takes it as the main duty to study and disseminate the immortal Juche idea created by the great leader, President Kim Il Sung.

CHAPTER 4. The International Institute of the Juche Idea does the following works according to its character and duty.

1. to disseminate classic works of President Kim Il Sung
2. to organize debate, lecture and publication societies
3. to publish periodically its organ "Juche Idea Study"
4. to cooperate and exchange experiences its activities for study of the Juche idea in the world
5. to provide a library (reading room) and hold library exhibitions

CHAPTER 5. The International Institute of the Juche Idea does its works in connection with groups or individuals of the world concerned with the Juche idea.

CHAPTER 6. The guiding organization of the International Institute of the Juche Idea is the board. The board is composed of distinguished personages of the world. The board is convened as occasion demands. It can be done by way of correspondence. The board discusses and decides all important activities concerned with the institute, elects a director general and fills vacant directors.

CHAPTER 7. The executive organization of the International Institute of the Juche Idea is the secretariat. The secretariat performs the daily works of the institute as decided in the main rules and the board. The secretariat is composed of secretary general appointed by the director general of the board and some full-time workers.

CHAPTER 8. Finances of the International Institute of the Juche Idea are covered by contributions of groups or individuals of the world in support of the Juche idea and income of the institute.

CHAPTER 9. The International Institute of the Juche Idea is located in Tokyo, Japan.

CHAPTER 10. The rules can be revised at the board.

Letter to President KIM IL SUNG

A letter to President Kim Il Sung was unanimously adopted at the Inaugural Congress of the International Institute of the Juche Idea on Apr. 9. The letter reads:

Your Excellency, respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung,

The delegates from various countries the world over who participated in the International Seminar on the Juche Idea held last September in Pyongyang declared that ours is a new era of independence and decided to set up an International Institute of the Juche Idea in order to make a more profound study of the Juche idea fathered by the President and to disseminate it all over the world.

We have held in Tokyo the Inaugural Congress of the International Institute of the Juche Idea, the formation of which we eagerly look forward to, today when the memories are still vivid of our rejoiceful successes gained at the Pyongyang meeting.

Well-prepared speeches were delivered at the inaugural meeting following the keynote report reflecting the unanimous will of the organizing committee of the International Institute of the Juche Idea. The meeting heard congratulatory speeches made by distinguished persons in the political circles, trade unions, the academic community and the press of Japan and read numerous congratulatory telegrams sent from personages and organizations of various countries.

The meeting successfully proceeded in an upsurging atmosphere.

The inaugural congress adopted its inaugural declaration reflecting the unanimous will of the participants. The declaration made it clear: The era of subjugation and humiliation has gone never to return when the independence of the people was harshly violated; mankind has entered an era of independence, the era of the Juche idea, and history is powerfully running on the track of independence. It was stressed that the Juche idea is an integral system of idea, theory and method which gives the best answers to all the problems arising in the effort to realize the independence of the countries, the nations and the popular masses.

We from all the continents solemnly declared to the world the inauguration of the International Institute of the Juche Idea, filled with a great pride and new hope in doing the honourable job of studying and disseminating the Juche idea.

Since the International Institute of the Juche Idea was today inaugurated, its secretariat was established, it is now possible to hold regular monthly seminars and to promote preparations for opening a library and publishing its organ and bulletin. Thus, the International Institute of the Juche Idea has taken an historic step both in name and reality as an international organization for study of the Juche idea.

On this historic day of the inauguration of the International Institute of the Juche Idea, we extend boundless thanks and highest honour to Your Excellency, respected and beloved President who fathered the immortal Juche idea and indicates a clear avenue for mankind to take.

Deeming it a pleasure to present Your Excellency, esteemed President with an irreplaceable gift of inaugurating the International Institute of the Juche Idea on the occasion of your 66th birthday, we harden our resolve to explore a brilliant era for the people, holding aloft the Juche idea, a new idea of a new era initiated by Your Excellency Mr. President during the anti-Japanese struggle.

The International Institute of the Juche Idea will implement its task as the first international research organization as eagerly wanted by the peoples of the world, with top priority attached to a scientific and theoretic propagation of the revolutionary world outlook indicated by the Juche idea, the Juche-oriented revolutionary theories and strategies and tactics and the reality and invincible vitality of the revolutionary methodology.

We assembled here under the banner of the Juche idea will creditably discharge the glorious duty as these engaged in the research and propagation of the Juche idea, though our residence and languages are different.

We reverentially wish that great President Kim Il Sung will live long in good health to light the world as a sun of Juche.

Long live Your Excellency, President Kim Il Sung!

Long live the immortal Juche idea!

Attendants of the Inaugural Congress of the International Institute of the Juche Idea

April 9, 1978

Board of Directors

Follows the list of members of the board of directors.

Chairman : **Yasui Kaoru,** professor at Hosei University, Chairman of Solidarity Committee of Japan-DPRK and Scientists

Directors : **Hwang Jang Yop,** Chairman of the Standing Comm. of the SPA of the DPRK, President of Kim Il Sung Univ.

: Li Gye Baek, Vice-Chairman of Chongryun

: Jose Francisco Aguilar Bulgarelli, President of the Latin American Institute for Study of the Juche Idea

: Genaro C. Checa, General Secretary of the Latin American Federation of Journalists

: Chawki Ajami, President of the Lebanese Committee for Study of Kimilsungism

: Chrysanthos Savvides, Special Secretary of the CC of the Cyprus Socialist Party

: A.H. Peterson, Danish writer and journalist

: E. Hafner, General Secretary of the Progressive Organization Party of Switzerland

: Kazi Zafar Ahmed, General Secretary of the United People's Party of Bangladesh

: Y. Bagayogo, Minister of Official Information of the Republic of Mali and

: One from Japan and another from Madagascar to be elected later

Juche Idea: Sacred Banner of Era of Independence

Inaugural Declaration of Int'l Institute of Juche Idea

The inaugural declaration was adopted with unanimous applause of the entire attendants at the Inaugural Congress of the International Institute of the Juche idea on April 9.

The inaugural declaration reads in full:

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An International Institute of the Juche Idea (IIJI) has been founded in Tokyo, Japan to meet the fervent aspiration and unanimous desire of the people who study and follow the Juche idea. This marks an international event of profound significance.

The IIJI is an international scientific research organization. The basic task of the IIJI is to study and popularize the immortal Juche idea.

This institute will make a deep study of the classical works of respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung and, on the basis of the results of its study organize diverse forms of academic cooperation. By this means, it will render help to the people learning and following the Juche idea.

The founding of the IIJI is a reflection of the main trend of the progress of our era, and the idea advocated by it will exert a great influence on the advance of history.

We are convinced that the founding of the IIJI and its aim will arouse universal sympathy from the broad public circles and progressive people of the world.

1. Mankind Lives in Era of Independence

The strong tide of independence is sweeping in with an irresistible force. In many countries of the world the people are fighting in defence of their national dignity and advancing vigorously along the road of independence. This is the inevitable consequence of the advance of history.

The history of mankind is the history of the people's struggle for independence. Independence is vital to man. The popular masses, the makers of history and the motive force of social progress, have always desired to live as their own masters and, to this end, waged ceaseless struggles. Through their centuries-long arduous struggles for the defence of independence, they have gradually enlarged the scope of their autonomy and advanced the course of history step by step in accordance with it. Each page of long human history is, indeed, adorned with their aspiration after independence and their sacred struggles to realize it.

However, as they were not aware of the correct way to carve out their destinies by their own efforts, the people suffered repeated bitter setbacks and vicissitudes for a long time in their struggle for independence. History ran its courses century after century, but the desire of the popular masses to enjoy an independent and creative life did not come true.

They had never had a voice on the arena of history and their destinies were trampled with without letup. Despite the fact that they are the most dignified and powerful beings, the popular masses were not allowed to assume their position of master in society, with the result that they could not play their part due to masters.

Through their persistent struggle for independence, however, they at length put an end to the old era in which domination and subjugation were predominant, and ushered in a new era in world history.

Respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung has taught:

"Ours is an age of independence. Today many peoples on the globe call for independence and are fighting against all types of subordination. No nation will tolerate others trampling upon its independence."

Ours is a new age of history, an era of independence. The peoples who were held in contempt in the past with their independence in the world down have cast off the yoke of subordination, emerged as the proud masters who rule the world, and are shaping the course of history independently and creatively. Today no one wants to live under the rule and control of others and tolerate encroachment upon the dignity of one's country and nation. That the peoples of the world call for independence and many nations follow the path of independence has now become a world-wide trend which cannot be checked by any force.

Thanks to the sacred struggles of the peoples against all types of subordination and for a new, independent life, the looks of the world have changed markedly and a radical change has taken place on the arena of history.

Hundreds of millions of people, once oppressed and maltreated, have regained their independence and become the genuine masters of their own destinies. As the masters of society, they have done away with all that is obsolete and are applying themselves to the historical cause—the building of an ideal society which mankind has so much longed for.

The sacred banner of independence is fluttering vigorously on the continents of Asia, Africa and Latin America which had a long period of colonial continents and hundreds of millions of people on these three continents have won national liberation and independence and entered the road of independent development.

Many new-emerging countries have appeared on the stage of the world in the flames of national liberation struggles. They are striving to consolidate their political independence and attain economic self-sustenance and national prosperity. As a result of their united efforts the old international order has been broken up and a new international order based on independence is being established.

Gone forever is the age of subordination and humiliation, the era in which a few great powers controlled at will the destinies of most of countries and nations in the world. On the arena of history the leading role has changed hands and the right to a voice passed to the people. This is a great gain won by their tireless struggles for independence.

Never before have the aspiration and demand for independence been so strong among the world's people and at no time in history have the role and influence of popular masses been so great, as in our era.

The struggle for independence is being waged everywhere in the world and it has become a driving force powerful enough to advance our age.

"Let's defend independence!"—this has become the militant slogan of the people of our age. It is a sacred and glorious duty of all the people of our age to fight for independence.

Mankind has entered the era of independence, the age of Juche and history is advancing vigorously along the course of independence.

2. Juche Idea Illumines Road of Struggle for Independence

A new era necessitates a new ideology. The Juche idea is a great idea which has emerged to meet the demand of our era, a new era of history in which the masses of the people march ahead along the road of independence.

The Juche idea is not a certain "existing theory," but an original theory created newly in the practical revolutionary struggle; it is an ideo-theoretical sum total of the historic struggle of the popular masses to defend independence.

The essential characteristic of the Juche idea is that it firmly defends the independence of the popular masses and clearly indicates the road of their struggle for independence. Precisely for this reason, the Juche idea represents the great guiding ideology of our era in which all peoples are advancing along the road of independence.

Respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung taught as follows:

"In a nutshell, the idea of Juche means that the masters of the revolution and the work of construction are the masses of the people and that they are also the motive force of the revolution and the work of construction. In other words, one is responsible for one's own destiny and one has also the capacity for hewing out one's own destiny."

The Juche idea enables the masses of the people to defend their position and fulfill their role as masters in the revolution and construction, and lights up the correct path along which they carve out their own destiny by themselves. with a consciousness of their being masters.

The Juche idea is based on the philosophical theory that man is master of everything and decides everything. All propositions of the Juche idea stem from this new philosophical theory and are run through with it. Precisely for this reason the Juche idea constitutes so unique, infinitely profound and extensive an idea. The discovery of the philosophical theory of Juche marks a really great event in human history.

Just from this philosophical theory that man is master of everything and decides everything comes the basic demand of the Juche idea that the main consideration be given to man in every respect and everything made to serve him.

Thanks to the philosophical theory that man is master of everything and decides everything, man has become deeply conscious of his dignified position and role and the philosophical thinking of mankind has been put on a new scientific footing. This new philosophical theory provides the correctest views on nature and society and gives an invincible weapon to cognise and remould the world in a scientific way.

What the Juche idea teaches that the masses of the people who are masters of all things and the basic factor in deciding everything ought to take the attitude of a master, the independent and creative stands, in their practical activity of remaking nature and transforming society.

The key to firmly maintaining the independent and creative stands is it possible to overcome flunkeyism and dogmatism, successfully transform nature and society and to become real master of one's own destiny. This is an obvious truth proved by the actual life.

Juche in ideology, independence in politics, self-support in the economy, and self-defense in national defence—these are the guiding principle for applying the Juche idea in all fields. This principle serves as the guiding compass to be maintained in getting rid of all sorts of subjugation and inequality and building an independent, sovereign state which is dignified, rich and powerful.

The Juche idea provides a new guiding theory reflecting the requirements of our time. This guiding theory is evolved with the masses of the working people as the central factor and based on their role. Precisely herein lies the source of the greatness, originality, truthfulness and indestructible vitality of the theory propounded by the Juche idea. It is thanks to the Juche idea that the scientific guiding theory proceeding from the position and role of the working masses, the subject of history and the motive force of social development, has been worked out for the first time.

The Juche theory gives correctest answers to all problems arising in materializing the independence of a country, a nation and the popular masses and clearly indicates the road for them to follow.

The Juche idea is a great idea showing a scientific method of leadership. With the clarification of this new leadership method the Juche idea has become the perfect guiding ideology of our time which involves a guiding idea, guiding theory, and guiding method.

The Juche-oriented method of leadership represents an integrate system of leadership principle, work method and work style, under which the masses of the working people defend the independent and creative stands and perform their responsibility and role as masters in the revolution and construction. The Juche-based leadership method has provided a powerful ideo-theoretical weapon to organize and mobilize hundreds of millions of people en masse in the sacred cause of creating an independent and creative life.

The creation of the Juche idea marks a great event which is of epochal significance in the development of human thought and in the people's struggle for independence.

Thanks to the Juche idea a world outlook giving the greatest importance to people has been established for the first time in the history of human thought and a correct guiding theory and method enabling the popular masses to shape their destiny independently and creatively formulated.

When the masses of the people firmly take the Juche idea as their guiding ideology, theory and method, they will be freed once for all from every form of subordination and the independent and creative stands, in their practical activity of remaking nature and transforming society.

Today the Juche idea is illuminating the road of independence for the peoples of the world.

3. Banner of Juche Is Invincible

The Juche idea spreads widely, throwing its brilliant rays over the whole world. Because of its profound truth the Juche idea is firmly gripping every heart and finding support and echo among hundreds of millions of people.

For what reason is the Juche idea rapidly spreading with so great influence and attraction? It is because this great idea indicates the road along which the popular masses realize their mission and carve out their destiny. the bright road along which they gratify their centuries-old desire and aspiration for enjoying an independent and creative life.

The history of thought of progressive mankind was a history of uninterrupted meditation to explore the way of hewing out the destiny of the people. However, the masses of the people had long failed to have a correct ideological weapon, a perfect scientific theory, which enables them to shape their destiny.

The founding of the Juche idea—this was a brilliant solution of the task set by human history, which human beings had so much wanted to see from generation to generation through centuries.

By teaching the popular masses the great truth that they are masters of their destiny and they have also the capacity to make them a reality, the Juche idea indicates the way of mobilising their inexhaustible creative powers to eliminate all types of dominism and subjugation and for building a new society where all people can enjoy a fruitful, happy life as real masters of nature and society.

No lengthy explanation is necessary as to why world people are so eager to embrace the Juche idea and study and follow it.

The Juche idea is an idea consistent with the basic aim and desire of the people of our time who demand independence and want to live as their own masters; it is an idea which has unfolded a vivid picture of future society in which man's independence is finally materialized. That is why progressive mankind hold this great idea clear.

The force of truth is powerful and irresistible. For the undeniable truth it contains, the Juche idea is spreading with an uncontrollable force and becomes the current trend of our time.

It is regarded as an acknowledged truth that without assimilating the Juche idea it is impossible to understand the social progress and process of changes taking place in the world and that without taking this idea as one's guideline one cannot discharge one's mission as the sacred cause of creating an independent and creative life.

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Today the work of studying and disseminating the Juche idea has entered a' new stage. It is carried on over the length and breadth of the world. The international seminars on the Juche idea, from those in Lebanon, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Togo, Peru, Madagascar and Japan to that in Pyongyang, the capital of the DPRK, in 1977 formed a grand scale thanks to the ardent wishes and joint efforts of parties, governments and prominent public figures of many countries, are graphic evidence that the Juche idea is not believed in by only a few pioneers but has become the unbreakable will of the world progressive people and the common spiritual wealth in their possession.

The torchlight that was lit in Korea, a land of morning calm, half a century ago is now spreading like a prairie fire in all places where the people aspiring after independence are living. The brilliant torchlight of Juche will burn fiercer, fanned by the people's unanimous aspirations to study and assimilate this great idea.

We now see the great force and validity of the Juche idea not only in theory but in sober reality spread before us. A great idea brings about truly great reality.

We are convinced of this by the striking reality of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea which has been turned from colonial semi-feudal society to a strong socialist state, independent, self-sustenant and self-defensive, in a historically very short space of time and that under the conditions where everything was destroyed in the three-year war.

The immortal Juche idea is being embodied in the depth of life of hundreds of millions of people and becoming a powerful driving force for the social progress of our time. It is bringing brilliant victory to the sacred cause of hundreds of millions of people who have broken with their old life of subordination and humiliation and are striving for national independence, prosperity and social progress.

The voices calling for independence are ringing out loudly from Asia, Africa, Latin America and other parts of the world, and a new prospering world advocating independence and self-sustenance is rapidly taking on the shape. There is no longer any person who gives ear to the sophistry that the new independent countries and economically backward countries are not able to stand by themselves without the assistance of the powers. Among the people are fully displayed the spirit of independence and the trait of self-reliance which call for judging everything according to one's faith and solving everything on one's own.

The great world-historic significance and invincible vitality of the Juche idea lie precisely in that it has converted the people's desire and aspirations for independence into firm faith and reality, clearly indicated the path of free development for countries and nations oppressed and trampled underfoot for centuries and awakened the inexhaustible creative zeal of the people to the full.

As days go by the people are manifesting intenser desire to study and follow the Juche idea and live up to it. We believe that an urgent task facing our time in meeting their ardent desire is to study and disseminate the Juche idea.

As a reflection of the people's ardent desire to study and follow the Juche idea, many proposals were made long ago on the formation of an international organization for the study and dissemination of the Juche idea. The International Seminar on the Juche Idea held in Antananarivo, the capital of Madagascar in 1976 resolved on the creation of an international organization in accordance with the unanimous proposal of the attendants. The International Seminar on the Juche Idea held in Pyongyang, the capital of the DPRK, in 1977 formed an organizing committee to push the work forward.

Resolutions of the seminars held in Antananative and in Pyongyang on setting up an international institute of the Juche idea received unequivocal approval of the broad public circles, and the preparations for its founding were successfully pushed forward with the positive cooperation on the part of the students of the Juche idea and the world progressive personages.

Feeling new spiritual elevation and great pride in our service to the sacred work of studying and disseminating the Juche idea, today we solemnly announce the founding of the IIJI to the world.

The creation of the IIJI will mark a new turning point in the study and dissemination of the immortal Juche idea.

In accordance with its character and mission as an international academic institution, the IIJI will conduct vigorous activities such as the dissemination of the classic works of respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung, the organization of seminars, lectures and paper readings on the Juche idea, the regular publication of its organ "Study of the Juche Idea," theoretical cooperation and the exchange of experience for the study of the Juche idea in various countries of the world, and the opening and management of libraries, reading-rooms and book exhibitions for the dissemination of the Juche idea.

To those who defend the independence of the countries, nations and popular masses, the study and dissemination of the Juche idea is really fruitful and honorable.

Deeply conscious of our lofty duty to the age and the people, we will devote all our wisdom and energy to the sacred work of studying and comprehending the profoundly truth of the Juche idea more extensively and deeply and disseminating it.

We are convinced that our lofty aim of studying and propagating the Juche idea will enjoy the unanimous support of the progressive people and be successfully accomplished with the unreserved cooperation of the broad public circles and the progressive personages.

Study and dissemination of the Juche idea will be attended by the struggle against the obsolete ideas.

The history of the development of the human thoughts shows that the progressive ideas reflecting the demand of the age have always faced the resistance of the old reactionary ideas going against the trend of the age.

On the globe there till exist the forces which try to turn back the wheel of history that rolls along the path of independence. But no force in the world can check the onward movement of the masses of the people advancing along the path indicated by the Juche idea.

The sacred banner of independence, the lofty idea of Juche, will victoriously cut out its way, overcoming the outmoded and backward ideas.

And mankind will enter a truly independent and creative life in a new world where the idea of Juche will come into full bloom and the banner of independence be unfurled.

Availing ourselves of this significant moment of announcing the founding of the IIJI amidst the great expectation and attention of the people who desire to study the Juche idea, we earnestly call on the world progressive people and our close friends who champion independence to make a deeper study of the Juche idea and march vigorously forward towards the bright future of mankind, upholding the banner of Juche.

The Juche idea will live for ever!

April 9, 1978 Tokyo, Japan

"Inception of IIJI, Common Victory of World Progressive People Who Advocate Independence"

Speech by Chongryun Vice-Chairman Li Gye Baek (Gist)

The inception of the International Institute of the Juche Idea is a great common victory of the progressive peoples of the world who advocate independence. On this jubilant occasion, I, on behalf of the social scientists of Korea, warmly congratulate you present here and, through this congress, offer fervent friendly greetings to the Japanese people and the world-progressive people who advance vigorously along the path of independence.

Esteemed Mr. Yasui and his close comrades have exerted all efforts in preparation for the establishment of the IIJI despite manifold difficulty and thus arranged this wonderful inaugural congress in a brief span of time. We pay high regards to the personnel of the IIJI who have been consistent, earnest efforts for its establishment and the progressive personages of Japan and many other countries who have rendered sincere help in setting up the institute.

The inaugural congress of the IIJI is in session, drawing great attention from the world progressive people. It is because the immortal Juche idea founded by the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung is tightly gripping the hearts of the world progressive people as the guiding idea of our era reflecting the demand and desire of the peoples who follow the road of independence. The representatives of political parties and public organizations and men of science, education and culture of Japan as well as a large number of prominent progressive personages who came a long way across continents and oceans on behalf of many regions of the five continents have joined us at this historic gathering to share joy in the celebration of the establishment of the IIJI. This clearly shows that this congress is an international festival of adherents of the Juche idea that assumes a tremendous historic significance.

The birth of the IIJI fully conforms with the pressing desire of the world progressive people who want to learn from the Juche idea and with the common interests of the peoples of the world who strive to wipe out from the surface of the earth once and for all exploitation and oppression, aggression and plunder, subjugation and inequality and pave the way for genuine independence and sovereignty.

Of course, the IIJI is, pure and simple, an organization for scientific study whose purpose is to study and disseminate the Juche idea. The IIJI is not directly linked with the practical struggle of people to transform nature and society. But this will never minimize the great significance of the formation of the institute. Correct practice presupposes correct idea. To study and disseminate the Juche idea—this not only directly helps towards the cause of ideological emancipation of mankind which enables people to get free of all outworn ideological viruses that corrodes man's consciousness for many centuries, but also substantially contributes to the dynamic development of human history by giving the people an ideological weapon with which to carve out their destiny independently and creatively. It is conducive to enhancing the independent position and creative role of the popular masses in each country and, furthermore, greatly helpful in thwarting and foiling the imperialists' moves of aggression and war on the international arena, defending world peace and developing the friendly and cooperative relations among peoples based on independence. That is why the world progressive people who desire peace, democracy, national independence and social progress welcome the founding of the IIJI warmly. The inception of the IIJI that mirrors the unanimous aspiration of the world progressive people who espouse independence will shine forever in the history of human ideological emancipation, and this institute, as an international centre in the study and dissemination of the Juche idea, will make still greater contributions to the common cause of the Juche idea, will make still greater contributions to the common cause of the world people who stand for independence.

Dear comrades and friends,

In his immortal classic work "Theses on Socialist Education," the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has said:

"Man is a social being that thinks. Thinking determines the value and quality of a person and regulates all his activities."

Man can be independent in his activity and life only when he possesses the consciousness of independence. This consciousness is absolutely essential for a man.

The popular masses can release inexhaustible creative abilities capable of transforming society and taming nature. But they have long remained ouside of the position of masters of the state and society and subjected to all sorts of exploitation and oppression.

The reason for this is, first of all, explained by the fact that they failed to blend together into a united political force because they were devoid of the consciousness of independence. The reactionary ruling classes monopolizing the political power were most fearful of the popular masses becoming politically conscious. Therefore they did everything to retard the growth of independent thinking of the popular masses and imbue them with their reactionary ideology. From this the popular masses could not find access to the consciousness of independence, or consumurate in Lebanon, creative ability and gain the legitimate position of masters of society.

The essential characteristics of the Juche idea founded by the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung are:

Firstly, it is an idea imbued with independence since it opposes all forms of exploitation, oppression, subjugation and inequality and thoroughly defends the independence of the masses of the people.

Secondly, it is a creative theory in that it rejects dogmatism and subjectivism of all kinds and calls for tackling all problems in a creative manner by putting into maximum play the creativity of the popular masses, the subject of history.

The popular masses' independence and creativity are carried out in close operation only when these two are colosely coordinated with each other. From this we can say that it is one of the fundamental requirements of the Juche idea to oppose all forms of selfishness, chauvinism and strengthen the unity and solidarity of the popular masses and the internationalist friendship and cooperation among peoples.

The Juche idea is a most concentrated embodiment of the qualities characterized by independence, creativity and collectivism inherent in the popular masses, the subject of history and the motive force of social progress. So, it allows them to act in an independent and creative manner and it becomes the people's own independent ideology which contributes to strengthening their unity and solidarity and people-to-people friendship and cooperation.

Guided by the undiminished Juche idea the Korean people, under the far-sighted leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, have waged a devoted struggle, thus developing in a short historical period their colonial and semi-feudal society into a mighty socialist state with a most advanced social system, an independent economy and a brilliant national culture.

Under the banner of the Juche idea our people defeated the imperialist aggressors, successfully carried out both the anti-imperialist, anti-feudal democratic revolution and the socialist revolution and won a great victory in the building of socialism. Reality proves that today the Juche idea is making its way to all aspects of our social life.

Proceeding from the immortal Juche idea our people are pursuing a most fair and reasonable policy that calls for reunifying their divided country independently and peacefully on a democratic principle. This stand enjoys the wholehearted support of the world progressive people. That is why the broad sections of the Japanese people and the progressive people the world over as well as the Korean people today resolutely condemn the partitionists within and without who are reinforcing the aggressive armed forces on a large scale and intensifying war schemes and acts in south Korea in order to perpetuate the division of Korea and, at the same time, strongly demand the earliest withdrawal of US troops from south Korea.

Through their consistent pursuance of an independent foreign policy based on the Juche idea our people are making a worthy contribution to the common struggle of the world people against aggression and plunder, subjugation and inequality and continue to strengthen and develop the relations of friendship and cooperation with all peoples across the world who value independence.

In a word, all the victories our people have achieved in domestic and external activities are precisely the victories of the great Juche idea. Through the prolonged, arduous struggle to hew out their destiny under the most difficult and complicated circumstances the conviction is gaining ground among our people that the very Juche idea is a powerful weapon of revolution and construction and an influential leverage of friendship with which to unite the world people who advocate independence.

On the basis of this experience and conviction we highly appreciate the lofty aim and mission of the IIJI and express absolute support to its work. The social scientists of Korea will, in the future, too, actively participate in the work of the IIJI shoulder to shoulder with the world adherents of the Juche idea and devote all efforts to the strengthening and development of the work of the institute.

We heartily wish that the IIJI inaugurated amid great attention and expectation of the world progressive people would victoriously advance and brilliantly carry out its historic mission with the active support and encouragement of the people the world over advocating independence.

Let Us Study, Assimilate Juche Idea

— Keynote Report by Yasui Kaoru, Organizing Committee Chairman —

The keynote report "Let Us Study and Assimilate the Juche Idea" was delivered, on behalf of Yasui Kaoru, chairman of the organizing committee, by Kariki Yasunobu, deputy-chief director of the National Liaison Council of the Japanese Society for Study of the Sellected Works of President Kim Il Sung at the Inaugural Congress of the International Institute of the Juche Idea on April 9.

The keynote report reads in full:

Esteemed members of the organizing committee,

Dear comrades and friends,

The Inaugural Congress of the International Institute of the Juche Idea which all of us have long looked forward to has opened at last today.

This historic inaugural congress is meeting to answer the lofty aspirations of the world progressive personages and other people for the study and assimilation of the Juche idea. The credit of its successful conVocation must go to the unanimous desire and joint efforts exerted by all of us. The Japanese people and other progressive peoples and broad public circles of the world are following this significant congress with attention, sincerely wishing it success in its work.

On the occasion of this auspicious inaugural congress all the attendants present here are excited with high honour and pride as the pioneers who believe, study and disseminate the Juche idea. Our hearts are now throbbing violently with the feelings of infinite admiration and gratitude for respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung the founder of the great idea.

Availing myself of this glorious, solemn occasion, I would like to render, reflecting our unanimous feelings of reverence, the highest honour and gratitude to most respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung, the great thinker and theoretician and a genius of mankind, who has created the immortal Juche idea and made great contribution to the development of the world's history, aroused the progressive people to the realization of the sacred cause of Juche and independence, and is wisely leading them along the one road of victory and glory.

Allow me to extend, on behalf of the organizing committee of the IIJI, my hearty welcome to all of you attendants who have assembled here out of the lofty desire to study and follow the Juche idea, and my warmest greetings to you. I should also like to tender my warm thanks to the members of the organizing committee and the personages in various circles of Japan who have so far exerted themselves with all sincerity for the inauguration of the IIJI.

I also express my cordial thanks to the parties and peoples of all the countries which have sent their delegates to this congress, and my deep respect to the people and notables in all countries who show interest in our congress and wish it success in its work.

The organizing committee of the IIJI entrusted me with the task of reading the keynote report of the inaugural congress. I regarded it as an honour and accepted it with great pleasure.

Follows the keynote report of the Inaugural Congress of the IIJI which I have prepared after consultations with the organizing committee:

Ideological, Theoretical Contents of Juche Idea

Comrades and friends,

The IIJI the founding of which we are going to announce to the world today is a research organization that has come into being as a reflection of the desire of the progressive people who, holding high the banner of the Juche idea, are struggling for independence. I will, therefore, begin my report with a general account of the creation of the Juche idea and the profound ideological and theoretical contents of this idea. For, I think, this is the starting point in gaining a correct understanding of a historical background to the establishment of the IIJI and its lofty aim.

As is generally known, the Juche idea indicating the bright road to the materialization of independence of the popular masses is a scientific doctrine original with respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung.

The popular masses, the makers of history and the motive force of social progress, have waged incessant struggles in defence of their independence ever since the establishment in society of the relations of domination and subordination. However, unable to find a right way to carve out their destinies, they had failed to realize their desire for a life of independence for thousands of years on record. They had eagerly looked forward to the appearance of a scientific theory showing them a right way to satisfy their desire and craved for emergence of an eminent leader, a distinguished thinker who would provide them with such a theory.

The historical task of indicating a right way to realize their centuries-old desire for independence could be successfully carried out with the creation of the immortal Juche idea by respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung, gifted revolutionary and preeminent thinker and theoretician born of mankind.

The respected and beloved President is a most prominent thinker and theoretician who possesses all the extraordinary endowments such as the infinite loyalty to the sacred cause of the popular masses for independence, the boundless love for them, the Juche-oriented approach in thinking and inquiry with which he solves all problems in an original way without sticking to any existing theories, the gifted wisdom and unusually keen insight, and the immeasurably wide and deep knowledge of nature and society, and who has performed great achievements in struggle and gained very rich and many-sided experiences.

Respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung originated the great Juche idea in the initial period of his early revolutionary activity and has developed and enriched it without a letup while leading the people's struggle in defence of their independence along the one road of victory over half a century.

The Juche idea, which occupies the highest and most outstanding place in the history of human thought, is indeed a great fruition of the respected and beloved President and conspicuous features in all respects and his tireless ideological and theoretical activities based on his incessant speculation and inquiry for the sole purpose of serving the people.

With the creation of the Juche idea, the people have come into possession of a powerful ideo-theoretical weapon, a most scientific doctrine, for realizing their centuries-old desire for an independent and creative life.

That is why world people have a great admiration for respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung, the creator of the immortal Juche idea, calling him the "sun of mankind," and express their deepest gratitude to him, paying their highest tribute of praise to him.

As respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung has taught, the idea of Juche, in a nutshell, means that the masters of revolution and construction are the masses of the people and that they are also the motive force of revolution and construction. In other words, one is responsible for one's own destiny and one has also the capacity for hewing out one's own destiny.

Revolution and construction are the work for the popular masses and they are also the work carried out by them. They are the work for them to enjoy an independent and creative life as the masters of nature and society and this work can be successfully carried out only by their creative endeavour.

Through its scientific elucidation of the position and role of the popular masses in the struggle for their independent and creative life, the Juche idea shows them the correctest way to mould their own destiny by their own efforts with the consciousness of their responsibility of a master. Herein lies the world-historic significance of the Juche idea.

The Juche idea is founded on a new philosophical theory discovered for the first time in the history of human thought.

Respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung has taught:

"The Juche idea is based on a philosophical theory that man is master of everything and decides everything."

The philosophical theory that man is master of everything and decides everything is the starting point of the whole system of the Juche idea; it is the fundamental theory consistent with the entire contents of this idea. It scientifically enunciates the correlation between man and the world surrounding him and the position and role of man in the world on the basis of a new exposition of man.

Man, as enunciated by the Juche idea, is a social being with independent and creative qualities. Just because of this, man becomes the master who controls the world and a powerful being that reshapes and transforms nature and society to meet his requirements.

It is thanks to this far-sightedness and originality of its philosophical theory that the Juche idea proves to be a great and original idea. From this philosophical theory stem the basic requirements of the Juche idea that everything should be considered with priority given to man and made to serve in his interests and that all problems be solved in such a way that man's role is enhanced. By clarifying the position and role of man in the world, the Juche idea also provides man with a correct outlook on nature and society and with a powerful weapon to cognize and transform the world and scientifically clarifies the lawgoverned process of social development.

The philosophical theory that man is master of everything and decides everything is, indeed, an outstanding idea that has awakened people to their dignified position and inexhaustible strength for the first time in history; it is a great idea that has brought about a radical change in the domain of the philosophical thinking of mankind.

The Juche idea clearly shows the fundamental stand and basic methods that have to be maintained by the popular masses in their practical activities for reshaping and transforming nature and society. Herein also lies the great significance of the Juche idea. The independent stand is a fundamental stand that the popular masses must maintain in the struggle to remake nature and society so as to defend their right as master and discharge their responsibility as such, and the creative stand is a basic method they must employ to fulfil their role of a master in that struggle.

The popular masses, who are the master of everything and the basic factor in deciding everything, should naturally maintain the attitude of a master, the independent and creative stands, in the struggle to transform nature and society. Only by so doing can they successfully transform nature and society and become the genuine master of their own destiny. This is an undeniable truth confirmed by the historic experience of the struggle for the independence of the popular masses.

Respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung has taught that in order to embody the Juche idea in the practical activity for independence of the popular masses, it is necessary to thoroughly carry out the principles of Juche in ideology, independence in politics, self-sustenance in the economy and self-reliance in national defence. These principles are the guiding principles which make it possible to successfully build up an independent and sovereign state, dignified, rich and powerful, that raises the popular masses to the status of a genuine master responsible for the transformation of nature and society and provides them with a truly independent and creative life.

In order to bring victory to the struggle to defend the independence of the popular masses, there must be a scientific guiding theory. The Juche idea gives a comprehensive answer to this question by expounding a new guiding theory that regards the popular masses as the key factor in everything and is founded on their role. The master of the struggle to remake nature and society is the popular masses, and they are also the decisive factor in it. This means that the struggle to transform nature and society is one to meet the aspiration and demand of the popular masses and that the process of this struggle is the process of their activities.

Based on the position and role of the popular masses, the Juche idea should involve a rich theory on the transformation of nature and society and clearly indicate the task of struggle in every stage for defending independence of the popular masses and the ways for its fulfilment. The Juche idea was the first to break the road of attaining national independence and build a new society and the most universal road to socialism in different socio-economic conditions, and open a bright prospect of successfully removing the vestige of the old society after the establishment of the socialist system and of finally freeing the popular masses from all natural and social restrictions.

The creation of the theory on scientific method of handling this is another great service performed by the Juche idea.

The masses of people are masters in the struggle to transform nature and society, but they cannot perform their responsibility and role as masters of their own accord. Only when they receive correct leadership can they become true masters in their struggle to defend independence.

The Juche-oriented leadership method, whose contents are the well-organized leadership system, scientific leadership principle, revolutionary work method and popular work style, is the correctest leadership method because it enables the popular masses to perform their responsibility and role as masters in the struggle to remake nature and society and bring their creative wisdom and strength into full play. The establishment of the Juche-oriented leadership method has provided a powerful weapon to unite the broad masses of people into one force and vigorously mobilize them in their struggle for independence.

The creation of the Juche idea has a really great meaning in the development of human thought and in the struggle of people for independence. Thanks to the founding of the Juche idea the world outlook which puts main stress on man has been established for the first time in the history of human thought, and the scientific guiding theory and method which make it possible to successfully realize the independence of the popular masses have been provided as a single whole.

The Juche idea is a great idea which has liberated the popular masses from all manner of slavish subservience and mental subjugation and turned man's thinking into a scientific thinking which places man in the centre of all consideration.

This great upheaval brought about in the thinking world by the creation of the Juche idea firmly guarantees a historic change in the practical struggle of the people for independence. This change is not in the remote future but has already become a historic reality spreading before our eyes.

Today people wish to call the immortal Juche idea after the august name of its author respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung. This is the unanimous will of the people who have learned the Juche idea and gained a deep comprehension of its greatness and originality.

To meet this wish of the people the International Scientific Seminar on the Juche Idea held in Antananarivo, the capital of Madagascar, in September, 1976, solemnly declared it deemed it natural to call the Juche idea after the august name of Comrade President Kim Il Sung. The fifth national seminar on the Juche idea held in Tokyo, Japan, proclaimed to the whole world that the ideological and theoretical system of President Kim Il Sung is a system ranging from the ideology of the Juche philosophy to the theory on mass leadership and other broad domains, and that it would be proper to call it Kimilsungism.

Juche Idea, Irresistible Trend of Our Times

Dear comrades and friends,

Half a century woven with glory has passed since the founding of the Juche idea. The Juche idea which has successfully promoted the sacred cause of independence for the popular masses in the past has spread over the whole world, fully demonstrating its truthfulness and invincible might. Never before in history has there been such an idea in the world as that which has gripped the hearts of so many people. The Juche idea has already become the irresistible trend of our times.

It is a fully law-governed process that the Juche idea is rapidly spreading among the hundreds of millions of people with so great an influence and attraction.

Respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung taught:

"Today the Juche idea is capturing great sympathy among many people of the world. I think this is primarily because this idea conforms with the aspirations of the world's people for independence."

The Juche idea is an idea which fully conforms with the fundamental aspirations of the people of our time for independence.

Ours, the present era, is a new era of the development of world history in which the aspirations of people for independence have increased as never before and all peoples are following the road of independence. The people who, of late, lost independence were maltreated and humiliated under subjugation and domination in the past have now appeared on the arena of history as masters and are busy shaping their destiny independently and creatively. No one wants to live shackled to others and tolerates the dignity of one's country and nation trampled down. Even the peoples of capitalist countries, to say nothing of those of the socialist countries, want to travel the road of independence and, especially, the peoples of the countries belonging to the new-emerging force who groaned long under the rule of imperialism and colonialism are advancing under the uplifted banner of independence. The political map of the world which has changed beyond recognition compared with that of the preceding period eloquently shows the fundamental characteristic of our era. The continents which were divided into regions of colonial domination by big powers for century, have now been covered with independent states, big and small, and the banner of independence and sovereignty is vigorously flutering over Oceanic Islands, too.

In the international arena a vigorous struggle is afoot to destroy the old order whereby some big powers shaped the destiny of the people and decided every problem only to their own advantage, and to establish instead a new international order based on independence. The dominationist force is isolated and rejected everywhere by the people who have been firmly united on the basis of their common aspirations for independence, and has become unable to go on the rampage any longer. Indeed, the struggle for national independence and social progress, the struggle for socialism, the struggle for defending the genuine human rights against racism, and the struggle for world peace—all these struggles being waged in the present time can be said to be a struggle for putting an end to all types of subordination and domination and, in the final analysis, to be a struggle for defending the independence of each country, nation and people.

It is an irresistible trend of our time that the people claim independence and many countries march along the road of independence.

The Juche idea is a great idea which most thoroughly defends independence, the very fundamental aspiration of the people in our age and clearly indicates the way for its realization.

The Juche idea finds so big an echo among the people because it has clarified for the first time in history man's dignified position and creative role in the world, the people's position as masters and their decisive role in the struggle for transforming society and society and because it gives scientific answers to all problems arising in carrying out the historic cause of mankind for independence.

Never before had any idea put the position of the popular masses on so high a place and spoken for and defended their fundamental desire and aspirations so thoroughly as the Juche Idea did.

An idea which accords with the desire and aspirations of the people is bound to penetrate into their brains and hearts and hold its due place, breaking through any barrier. It is only natural that the Juche idea thoroughly defending the independence of the people is spreading quickly, drawing absolute support and sympathy from them who want to take the road of independence.

The people want the Juche idea and learn it. The fighters and people who are waging a valorous struggle to end the cursed colonial rule and take back the national freedom and dignity are forging ahead under the unified banner of the Juche idea. The people, who have risen in the building of a new free and prosperous society after winning national independence and liberation, call this great idea and seeking their way in it. The Juche idea is now widespread among the peoples of capitalist countries as well.

The Juche idea is a great idea which is believed in and learned by not only a few forerunners but also the broad masses of people of all strata. It has become their common ideological and spiritual wealth. All peoples who defend man's dignity and love truth—youth and students, intellectuals, progressive personages of political, public and learned circles, peace champions, to say nothing of workers and peasants, in various countries of the world—are learning this great idea and finding their way of a true life in it.

To meet the ardent desire of the people who want to learn the Juche idea and live, putting their faith in this immortal idea, the classic works of respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung are being translated and published every year in dozens of national languages all over the world; his work is being carried in numerous newspapers and magazines of various countries of the world. Many organisations for the study of the Juche idea have already emerged in many countries of five continents and the ranks of believers in this idea are rapidly increasing by the days go by. And seminars for studying and assimilating the Juche idea are being widely held in many countries.

In such circumstances, it has finally attained an international scale.

The "Seminar on the Study of the Creative Juche Idea of Comrade Kim Il Sung" was held in Beirut, the seminar of its kind, was held in Beirut, the capital of Lebanon, in October 1971, with the attendance of social scientists, political figures, representatives of the publishing world and representatives of the groups for the study of the Juche idea from the countries of the Near and Middle East. Such grand internntional seminars have been held annually ever since.

The "Pan-African Seminar on the Juche Idea of Comrade Kim Il Sung" was held in Freetown, the capital of Sierra Leone, in December 1972, and the "Seminar on the Juche Idea in the Near and Middle East and Africa" in Mogadishu, the capital of Somalia, in November 1973 under the auspices of the Somali Government.

And, in 1974, marking the tenth anniversary of the publication of the rural theses of respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung, the "Seminar on the Task of the Third World People for the Solution of the Rural Question" was held in Lome, the capital of Togo under the sponsorship of the Togo Government. In October 1975 the first scientific seminar on the Juche idea of the Latin-American countries was held in Lima, the capital of Peru.

Following these five international seminars this work rapidly expanded and developed. In September 1976 the "International Scientific Seminar on the Juche Idea" was held in Antananarive, the capital of Madagascar in the presence of the representatives of more than 50 countries of the world. In September 1977 the greatest international seminar on the Juche idea ever seen in history was held in Pyongyang, the capital of the DPRK with the attendance of 89 party and government delegations and representatives of broad public circles from 73 countries of five continents and from four international organizations.

All these facts clearly show how great is now the desire of the people to learn the Juche idea and take it as their guideline in shaping their destiny.

The fact that the Juche idea fully reflects this ardent desire of the people to learn the Juche idea. Today the many countries follow the path of independence as the main thing of the times and all the peoples learn the Juche idea as the irresistible trend of the times, it can be said that it is a historical need to set up an international organization which studies and disseminates the Juche idea. This is the very historical background of the founding of the IIJI.

In fact, the proposal for this organization has been made more than once since long ago by many personages and organizations in various countries of the world that embrace and study the Juche idea, as well as at many international seminars.

Reflecting the desire of the people of all walks of life, the seminar held in Antananarive clearly expressed in its declaration the recognition of the urgent need to set up an international organization for the study and dissemination of the Juche idea. The seminar held in Pyongyang in pursuance of the Antananarive declaration formed an organizing committee to promote the organization of an international body for the study of the Juche idea.

Resolutions of the Antananarive and Pyongyang seminars on the founding of the IIJI have found enthusiastic support in broad public circles and aroused great sympathy from the progressive people.

The organizing committee opened its office in Tokyo, Japan, and have conducted brisk activity to date. It has successfully carried on the preparations for forming an international organization for the study of the Juche idea with the active cooperation of many students of the Juche idea and personages from various strata in Japan and from broad public figures of the world. As a splendid fruit of its efforts, we have at last come to found the IIJI today.

The founding of the IIJI will mark a new historic milestone in the study and dissemination of the immortal Juche idea on a worldwide scale.

It will give great encouragement to hundreds of millions of people who study the immortal Juche idea and fight for independence and self-support. With the establishment of the IIJI, we come to have a powerful international centre for the study and propagation of the Juche idea. With it, the work for the study and dissemination of the Juche idea on a worldwide scale will be deepened and brought to a new higher plane in compliance with the expectations of the people who are eager to study and follow the Juche idea.

The founding of the IIJI will make it possible to defend and safeguard respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung, the distinguished revolutionary leader of our time, and the Juche idea, the great guiding idea of our time, give an impetus to the struggle of the world people advancing along the road of independence under the banner of Juche by widely explaining and propagating this immortal idea, and hasten the world-historic victory of the cause of Juche.

The IIJI will add much to strengthening the friendship and unity of the world progressive forces. The reactionaries who have been obliged to retreat everywhere in the world in face of the united forces of the people are now striving to cause split and discord among the people resorting to every possible means and ways. Through the explanation and dissemination of the immortal Juche idea among the broad sections of the people the IIJI will help smash the disruptive manoeuvres of the imperialists and achieve the most powerful solidarity and cooperation among peoples based on the principle of independence.

Character, Task, Line of Activities of IIJI

Members of the organizing committee,

Comrades and friends,

At this significant juncture of announcing to the world the founding of the IIJI on which the believers in the Juche idea and the world's progressive people have so much longed for, I deem it necessary to touch on the character, task and line of activities.

As its name denotes the IIJI is an international academic institute for the study of the Juche idea. Its basic character is that it takes it as its honourable mission to promote the comprehensive study of the Juche idea which is a great trend of thought and an immortal banner of our time and inculcate the profound truth of Juche on the hundreds of millions of people.

We have named this institute the IIJI to suit its character as an international academic institute and make its aim and idea clear.

The IIJI regards it as its main task to study and widely disseminate the Juche idea initiated by great President Kim Il Sung and will systematically carry on all its activities in such a way as to fulfil the task with credit.

Studying and following the Juche idea is the imperative duty of those who value independence and fight in its defence. Nothing is more honourable and worthwhile than to inculcate the great truth of Juche in the minds of the people the world over.

In order to discharge the lofty duty devolved upon it by the age and the people, the IIJI will, first of all, forcefully promote a deeper study of the immortal Juche idea.

We will devote all our wisdom and energy to a deeper study of the Juche idea and to the thorough assimilation of the Juche theory and method of Juche. In all domains, we will earnestly learn from the historical experience of Korea which, through the brilliant embodiment of the Juche idea, has put independence, self-sustenance and self-defence into effect and achieved genuine national independence and prosperity and from the valuable experiences of other countries of the world. By so doing we will get a deeper grasp of the greatness and validity of the Juche idea and its invincible vitality and acquire concrete ways to put it in practice.

In accordance with its character and mission, the IIJI will also carry on a vigorous activity in various spheres to widely propagate the Juche idea among the broad sections of world people. The IIJI will work on positive lines to diffuse respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung's classic works, organize symposiums and lectures on the Juche idea, publish regularly its organ "Study of Juche Idea," render theoretical assistance to and exchange experience in, the study of the Juche idea in various countries of the world, and run libraries and book exhibitions for dissemination of the Juche idea. Thus it will live up to the great expectations of the people who are eager to make a deeper comprehensive study of the Juche idea and follow it.

The IIJI will function in constants with the organizations and progressive personages in various countries of the world that are interested in the Juche idea.

The IIJI will be guided by a council consisting of the eminent figures from various countries of the world and its regular work will be carried out by the secretariat in accordance with its rules and the resolutions of the council. The IIJI will carry on its activity in reliance mainly on the financial support from the organizations and personages in various countries of the world that study and follow the Juche idea.

I am firmly convinced that the IIJI successfully perform its honourable mission under the wholehearted concern and support on the part of the world's progressive people and personages in various circles who take the Juche idea as their creed and guide to action.

Members of the organizing committee,

Comrades and friends,

Meeting here in Tokyo with a burning desire to acquire the truth of immortal Juche idea and make it a guiding principle in our life and struggle, we have the honour of solemnly announcing the inauguration of the IIJI today.

We, the students and followers of the Juche idea, are the leading spirits in the era of Juche, the era of independence, and the pioneers of a new history of independence.

We will do our best to study the Juche idea more comprehensively and deeply than ever, make it our firm faith and creed, and disseminate it. Guided by this immortal idea, we will fight to the last for a new life free from imperialism and all bases of subjugation, for a truly independent and creative life.

Until the cause of Juche, the cause of independence, wins the ultimate victory on a worldwide scale, we will advance forward, closely united with all the progressive people.

Availing ourselves of this opportunity, we express our solidarity with those people of the world who are struggling in defence of independence, and condemn the imperialist and dominationist forces for infringing upon it. We denounce the imperialists and their stooges who are frenziedly manoeuvring to perpetuate Korea's division and create "two Koreas," and express our firm solidarity with the entire Korean people in their just struggle for the democratization of south Korean society and the independent, peaceful reunification of their country.

We extend active support and encouragement to the peoples of colonial and dependent countries who are fighting to break the chains of imperialism and racialism and win national independence as well as to those of countries of the new-emerging forces who are striving to consolidate national independence and establish a new international order. We also express firm solidarity with the peoples of capitalist countries who are fighting for democratic freedom and rights and those of all the countries who are struggling to safeguard independence.

The invincible banner of the Juche idea is illuminating the broad, glorious path ahead of us and instilling courage and conviction of victory into us who are advancing along this path. Victory and glory are always in store for the people who are marching ahead firmly holding this banner.

Let us all march vigorously towards the bright future of mankind along the road of independence indicated by the Juche idea.

In conclusion, I express once again the warm feeling of respect and reverence for esteemed President Kim Il Sung, the author of the great Juche idea, and, carrying our unanimous desire, reverentially wish him a long life and good health for the reunification of Korea and its prosperity and development and for the ultimate victory of the world revolution and the eternal happiness of people.

Long live the great Juche idea!

Long live the International Institute of the Juche idea!

(Subtitles are ours...Ed.)

To Defend Independence : World Trend of Our Time

Speeches at Inaugural Juche Congress

Theoretical Weapon for Independence, Socialism

B. Christopha, Vice-President of Assembly of People in DRM

The Juche idea is a welcome gift given to the peoples of contemporary era when all peoples don't want to be deprived of their independence and when the peoples once oppressed have emerged as the masters of their own destinies. Those peoples were mere objects of the history for long. But today they are holding their own destiny firmly in their own hands. The days when the colonialists oppressed and exploited peoples at their will have now gone. Today liberated peoples need a guiding idea which illumines their road to advance along.

The Juche idea, basing itself on the dialectical materialism which was a new philosophical guiding principle, gave firm belief to the people that they themselves were masters of their own destiny and had strength to hew out their own destiny with.

In the philosophical principle of Juche, man is put in the centre of all problems. This principle teaches him that popular masses, discarding reliance upon others, must realise Juche in ideology, independence in politics, self-reliance in economy and self-defence in national defence. These are the ideals of all mankind. I, representative of Madagascar, hope the international institute will particularly put emphasis on scientific studies and research in order to make concrete method to build righteous world-wide economic order which would help towards the interests of developing countries of the world.

For example, the problem of cooperativation must be one of particularly important problems because of its position in socialist revolution and hardships in embodying it. The far-reaching stage of cooperativisation is transition from cooperative possession to all-national possession.

Through this the differences between upban and rural areas, workers and peasants will cease to exist.

President Kim Il Sung said that individualistic selfishness remaining among peasants put stones on the way of ideological preparations. So long as there remains individualistic thought among peasants it is impossible to establish the system of all-nation possession. If we change cooperative possession into all-nation possession without remoulding individualistic thought of peasants, it will bring vital effect to agricultural production and development of the national economy.

Therefore the success of ideological revolution is of great importance. Once ideological revolution is successfully pushed forward, then we can make material foundation for transition from cooperative possession to all-nation possession.

We can push forward ideological revolution successfully through education, though the revolution is not an easy task. So the idea of Juche calls for giving priority to education and reeducation of popular masses in taking the two fortresses, ideological and material. The quality of education decides success in taking the two fortresses.

The fundamental principles of socialist education are to equip the people with revolutionary ideas first of all and with deep knowledge of science and good health.

These principles are now being realised in my country Madagascar. Well-prepared curriculum, have been prepared for the ideological, technical and physical training of the students.

Most Revolutionary Ideology in Mali

Y. Bagayogo, Minister of Official Information of Mali

We, on behalf of the Military Committee for National Liberation and our government led by Col. Mussa Traore, would like to convey congratulatory greetings to this Inaugural Congress of the International Institute of the Juche Idea.

In Mali, the Juche idea has become the most revolutionary ideology. Thanks to this thought, the peoples in ex-colonies are achieving enormous success in their struggle for independence.

The Malian people have come to know the importance of securing an independent national economy and of building a sovereign state. The Juche idea fully responds to progressive, cultural and material demands of the broad masses of the people. Whenever there lies an obstacle in our way, we have even firmer confidence of the justness of the Juche idea.

The friendship between Mali and DPRK further solidifies through the meeting of President Mussa Traore of Mali with President Kim Il Sung in 1976 and our unity based on the immortal Juche idea of President Kim Il Sung is growing.

We heartily wish you success of the inaugural congress.

Contribution to Development of Socialism

E. Hafner, Gen. Secy. of Progressive Organization Party of Swtz.

The international revolutionary movement has been able to realise during the last 60 years enormous success on the basis of scientific socialism, that is to say, the theory and practice of Marx, Engeles and Lenin. The October, 1917 revolution, the victory over fascism in 1945, the victory of the Chinese revolution in 1949, the heroic resistance of the Korean people against the terrible aggression unleashed by U.S. imperialism in a plot to liquidate the socialist camp (1950-1953), the victory of the Cuban revolution in 1959, the victory of the Algerian revolution in 1962, the decisive victory won by the Vietnamese people in 1975 and the extensive and great successes of the revolutionary forces have changed decisively the aspects of the world.

Despite all these magnificent victories, imperialism is not finally defeated. It is still inflicting varied forms of oppression upon the peoples in all the continents.

During the last one-third period of the 20th century the revolutionary and progressive forces have to solve greater important problems: That is the reunification of Korea, the reestablishment of national and territorial sovereignty of the Palestinian people, the liberation of the peoples in South Africa, Namibia and Zimbabwe, the liberation of the peoples of Latin America, the transformation of capitalist societies in Europe and other regions, the establishment of a new economic order that corresponds to the just aspirations of the peoples. And international relations deserve to be democratized and all of the neo-colonialistic bonds should be cut off.

Thanks to a policy of independent and creative alliances, the Workers' Party of Korea (WPK) has succeeded in sensitizing the important profits of the public opinion of the world, particularly of the progressive peoples and forces regarding the problem of the division of the Korean people. It is owing to the deployment of

international movement of solidarity with the Korean people whose profound aspiration is the independent and peaceful reunification.

The building of socialism in the DPRK, the establishment of vast network of alliance with the revolutionary and progressive forces of the whole world, the development of a broad campaign of solidarity with the reunification of Korea are concrete results of the independent and creative policy of the WPK formulated by Secretary General Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved leader of the Korean people. This policy essentially consists of the development of new strategies and methods to solve the problems of the present age on the basis of Marxism-Leninism.

With the development of our political lines, our party came to a conclusion similar to that drawn from the principles of Juche.

It is because our party has made application in an independent and creative manner in carrying out its national and international tasks since its inauguration, holding aloft the principles of independence.

We welcome discussions by progressive parties and forces on the questions of our era, and consultation by them regarding political actions and principal strategic lines. It is imperative that we hold international conferences in order to find ways and means most effective to repulse imperialism on an international arena in unanimous cooperation and to settle our course.

The foundation of the International Institute of the Juche Idea is a great step of importance in the embodiment of the common struggle against imperialism, the safeguarding of independence and equality of the people and the consolidation of socialism on the planet.

ent in an historical fact the revolutionaries will never forget.

The International Institute of the Juche Idea is a reality, and from this instant begin to share out for all the world his fruits of freedom and independence, for the people's glory and for socialism.

Irresistible Idea for Mankind

A. H. Peterson, Danish Writer

At the important seminars on the Juche idea that took place in Madagascar in 1976 and in Pyongyang, 1977, speakers from very many countries in all continents of the world stressed the importance of a thorough study of the Juche idea and recommended the foundation of an International Institute of the Juche Idea.

The Juche idea, that has been brilliantly expounded by the great leader of the Korean people, President Kim Il Sung, is not for Korea alone. It is an irresistible idea for all of mankind, for the whole world. The Juche idea opens the door to a bright new future, where all the peoples of the world can live in peace and prosperity and where all nations—large are small—are equally respected by each other, a world where imperialism and narrow chauvinism has been banned for ever.

We are living in a turbulent time where great historical changes are taking place. Learning by the brilliant teachings of the great leader, President Kim Il Sung the peoples of the world are marching confidently ahead, crushing the reaction, imperialism and militarism in their way.

Coming from a small country like Denmark I feel tremendously encouraged by the example of the people of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea who have shown conclusively that even a relatively small country can win true sovereignty and independence and build up the reliable foundations of socialism and communism, if only it is blessed with a correct and scientific ideology and enjoys the wise leadership of a great leader.

As President Kim Il Sung has emphasized time and again the Korean people wishes to have normal and friendly relations with their neighbous, the Japanese people.

It is my hope that the foundation of this institute will be of great help in furthering the good neighbour relations between the DPRK and Japan.

It is also my hope that this institute will make important contributions to the study of the Juche idea in the interest of peace and independence of socialism and communism.

Banner of Promising Victory

G. C. Checa, Gen. Secy. of Latin American Fedn. of Journalists

We have fought for establishing the International Institute of the Juche Idea for a long time.

Now hundreds of millions of people are struggling for independence, self-reliance and are struggling for hewing out the road of happiness and their own life.

To open up a new path, the great banner flutters vigorously on the international institute we set up. This is in truth the banner of Juche!

The Juche idea means that each man, each people becomes a master and carves out his own destiny, future.

President Kim Il Sung clarified the ample contents of the Juche idea and proved its justness and vitality. We can see it directly in the DPRK, homeland of Juche. In the DPRK there are heroic, dependable and fighting youngsters, men and women and the springtime of life which compares to nothing in the world.

Korea won the victory by waging the life-and-death struggle against imperialism and today she continues to carry out successfully the socialist revolution and construction work.

She owes these victories entirely to the Juche idea founded by President Kim Il Sung.

The International Institute of the Juche Idea was established in order to study the theory, tactics and principles of the Juche idea.

At the same time, it came to exist of disseminate the Juche idea, the compass, which help the people of the whole world bring victory.

I highly call upon:

The brilliant world, the world of Juche, will be certainly realized!

Scientific Revolutionary Theory

K. Z. Ahmed, Gen. Secy. of United People's Party of Bangladesh

The revolutionary struggle breaks out precisely when the independence of man, is restricted, the necessity of changing the old relations of production into new ones, to arise from the fact that the old relations of production are a material condition for restricting independence of the masses of the people. The revolutionary theory clarified by the Juche idea analyzes all these problems arising in the revolution, including not only the essence and origin of revolution, but also the condition for the victory of revolution and the law-governed course of the development of revolution, with the masses of the working people as the central factor. In view of the adversities and complex developments of the current revolutionary struggle in different countries of Asia, Africa and Latin America, the scientific analysis based on the Juche idea will surely be the shining guideline for all the revolutionary people towards victory. Only by the determined struggle of the working masses the revolutionary situation is created, and by their decisive struggle, the victory of revolution is achieved.

From this, we came to a conclusion that in order that the revolutionary strategy and tactics may clarify the most correct scientific means to hew out the destiny of the masses of the people, they should naturally be based on the role of the working masses.

Thanks to the revolutionary theory, strategy and tactics based on the Juche idea, it is scientifically clarified that the revolution to be carried out by the people in the colonial and semi-colonial countries is not a revolution subordinated to the proletarian revolution of the suzerain state, but an anti-imperialist, anti-feudal democratic revolution with independent character, and the strategy and tactics for carrying out this revolution by the people of those countries were set forth.

To sum up, the fundamental lessons derived from the revolutionary theory, strategy and tactics, based on the Juche idea is that they must contain the theories of all spheres for transforming nature and society and give answers to all problems arising in the revolution and construction. Only when the revolutionary theories are evolved with the masses of the working people as the central factor, can they illumine the law governing the changes and development of all spheres of nature and society to be transformed inevitably for realizing the independence of the masses of the working people, taking them as the objects for theoretical elucidation, and only when the strategy and tactics are based on the role of the working masses, the motive force of the revolution and construction, can they indicate the revolutionary and scientific means for transforming all spheres of nature and society.

Honourable delegates and comrades,

In conclusion, I wish to reiterate that the people of Asia, Africa and Latin America who are continuing relentless struggles against the imperialists' colonial and neo-colonial enslavement, against the other forces of domination and against the anti-national bureaucratic capitalism, must join hands together, with a militant bond of solidarity armed with the most scientific revolutionary theory, strategy and tactics elucidated by the Juche idea based on Marxism-Leninism which have become the invincible weapon accelerating the process of the revolutionary change of the world, for its greatness, originality and indestructive vitality.

Imperative Necessity of Our Time

M. Vassilion, Member of CC of Socialist Party of Cyprus

Let me begin with the appraisal or, say, the diagnosis that we live in the new historical era, we are breathing the air of a new epoch of economic and social evolution in human history—in the age of world revolution.

It is well known that Marxism-Leninism remains the unshaken guiding idea for all activists, communits the world over because it provides true telling and open new masses with true most scientific world outlook and method of transforming the world, by escalating the humanity up to higher standards of life.

If this is correct, the Juche idea could easily be described as the most creative element and the most constructive doctrine of all Marxist-Leninist approach—in theory and in practice.

With the creation of Juche idea or 'Kimilsungism' the road of revolution is wide open and all the progressive people of the world have come to possess a bright militant banner and invincible ideo-theoretical weapon of revolutionary struggle, which can vigorously step up the advance of mankind towards unprecedented standards of material and spiritual life.

This is the weapon, this is the ideological guidance and the revolutionary banner of Juche idea or Kimilsungism that we regard it as our duty to expand and deploy abroad to as many developing countries as possible.

I came from a country where the struggle for national survival goes on every day. We fight against the Noto invading forces of Turkey. We fight against U.S. imperialism policy for their solution.

The Socialist Party of Cyprus, which I represent in this congress applies the Juche idea teaching in its every policy. The slogan of our party "Every Patriot and Soldier Every House, Fortress" are a result of the full adherence to the Juche-oriented self-sustenance. The struggle waged by our party against the foreign penetration in our island is a gain of full Juche idea that economic dependence means political subjugation.

Revolutionary Way in Present Era

J. S. Aguilar Bulgarelli, President of Latin American Juche Institute

We are present in an act of great significance in the world, the foundation of the International Institute of the Juche Idea, as resolved in the international seminar celebrated in Pyongyang in September, 1977.

For a better understanding of this act, we have to start from the point the peoples of the world are living the time of their independence and sovereignty. There are many peoples constructing socialism, as a form of social superior organization.

The rest of the peoples of the world are fighting decidedly to obtain that independence and sovereignty, smashing repeatedly to the imperialist and capitalist forces, those who are in a deep crisis. Being the peoples of the world immersed in such an amount of tasks, they need for exact directions.

In this moment, the Juche idea, created and presented to the world by President Kim Il Sung, the great leader of the Korean people, has a special force.

The Juche idea is a sum of ideas as marking the revolutionary way in the present age.

Politicians of great significance in the liberation struggle of their peoples have founded in the Juche idea a correct direction for resolving the hardest problems in the different moments of a revolution.

Today, the crisis capitalism lives in all the world is only the outcome of the people's advance to their freedom and independence.

We live in the historical moment in that the peoples have decided not to resist any more the subjugation, the economic dependance and the subordination to the great powers...

The great Juche idea is extended all over the world.

In all the countries there are men devoted to its study and finding in it the directions to carry forward their fights in an independent way and foundation in their own forces.

In this way, Comrade Kim Il Sung has reached a place of a great significance and respect among the revolutionaries of the world, the same that look at him as a beloved chief who has developed significants theoretical proposals, applicables to the people's liberation struggles.

From the American continent, where the Juche idea is appled to the political activities everyday, we bring a salutation message to the foundation of the International Institute of the Juche Idea.

We carry, too, our salute and solidarity to all the Korean people and for their great leader, President Kim Il Sung, whom we know as our friends and comrades, determined to the success of Latin American and international revolution, and we know we can coint with them in any moment.

We are sure the peoples of the world will receive as a big joy the news of the foundation of this International Institute of the Juche Idea. And we are sure, too, we are presenters of

Man Is Master of All Things

C. Ajami, President of Lebanese Comm. for Study of Kimilsungism

The Juche idea in the philosophical field that has come into being as a reflection of the present reality defines the essential character of human existence. It provides men with the ability to tame and conquer nature and enables all of them to rely on their own efforts to attain the realistic hope and goal. It also gives them a firm conviction that they are advancing towards the bright world of victory, overcoming fear.

History shows that from the age in antiquity to the contemporary age mankind have channeled their efforts into extricating themselves from the fetters of nature and environment and becoming the beings with the consciousness of independence.

Man was born as a result of the development of nature, but he did not want simply to become its object.

This shows that though man is influenced by the environment and objective necessity but this is not the determining influence affecting his life and activity.

The long history of man's labour, the history of man's activity, is a history of constant attempts to get rid of the fetters of nature and environment.

When man gradually came to unlock the secrets of nature through his activity and labour, he began to produce simple instruments of production. These instruments developed into effective ones capable of taming and dominating the surroundings and transforming them to his advantage.

Accordingly, we can say that the history of man's productive activity is a history of man's increasing consciousness of independence.

Only mankind tame blind nature, subdue it and remake society through their purposeful activity for transformation. All the processes of development in human history show that man's conquest of nature and society has assumed greater demensions with rapidity.

The fact that the people who have developed productive forces and refashioned society in a revolutionary manner after conquering the power of nature prove that man is master of nature and society and master of everything.

That is why we can say that the Juche idea is a revolutionary world outlook which makes it clear that man is the main factor in deciding upon everything and the master of all things.

This is a scientific elucidation of man's role in the world, the first of its kind in history.

Man has ideology, that is, thinking and brain.

Through their brains, people understand the law of social development and its intrinsic nature and it is only through their idea and brains that all their work is rested on their thinking, namely, a certain ideology.

Ideology and consciousness play a tremendous and decisive role in the revolution and construction.

Man's ability and potentialities render it possible to understand the real nature of the world and the law governing its advancement and transform the world purposefully.

In the world there is no substance and object incomprehensible or uncontrollable for man.

Those things which once remained outside the range of the activity for transformation or beyond knowledge are now under man's control.

All that was considered a fancy has become a reality in man's command, with the flow of time and through man's practical activity.

Man's cognition of the world and his ability for its transformation knows no bound.

From his comes the requirement of the Juche idea based on man's new understanding.

Everything serves man because man is master of everything and decides everything.

Now we arrive at the following conclusion:

What is of prime importance in social development is to foster man to be the strongest being in general.

As clarified by the creative Juche idea fathered by Comrade Kim Il Sung, man is more precious than any property, the most valuable in society and the master of all things.

After adopting the inaugural declaration, foreign delegates shouted "Long live President Kim Il Sung," "Long live the great Juche idea."

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